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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The House yesterday passed the Military Academy appropriation bill, carrying about $600,000. —— Mrs. Cordelia Botkin sentenced to imprisonment for life in the California penitentiary for the murder of Mrs. Jno. P. Dunning of Dover, Del. —— The keel of the battleship Maine will be laid Feby 15th, the anniversary of the explosion in Havana harbor. —— The hitch in executive session of the Senate on the Paris peace treaty continues; its friends find themselves still short of votes necessary to ratify. —— The deadlock for the Pennsylvania senatorship continues. —— Aguinaldo's represenative has sent another communication to the State Department at Washington, asserting jurisdiction over all the Philippine islands. —— Arguments for and against the ratification of the peace treaty were made in the Senate yesterday. —— Bill to amend the charter of Wilmington introduced in the House at Raleigh. —— Jas. H. Pierce, captain of police from Terre Haute, Ind., committed suicide in the Park Hotel, Pensacola, Fla. —— Frank Blair killed Edward Brovard and Mary Anderson near Lima, Ohio, and then committed suicide; jealousy was the cause of the tragedy. —— Mrs. Martha Place, the Brooklyn murderess, will be electrocuted at Sing Sing in March. —— Rumored in Atlanta that the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis R. R. has purchased the Seaboard Air Line. ——New York markets: Money on call was steady at 2½ per cent; cotton quiet, middling uplands 6 5-16c; flour dull and weaker; wheat—spot steady; No. 2, red 81½c; corn—spot steady; No. 2, 43⅜c; rosin—steady; strained common to good $1.30@$1.32½; spirits turpentine steady at 45½@46.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 4.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 62 deg.; 8 P.M., 63 deg.; maximum, 74 deg.; minimum, 59 deg.; mean, 66 deg.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .01.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 12.8 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, February 4.—For North Carolina—Cloudy weather with rain in western portions; colder by night in western portions; fresh to brisk winds.

Local forecast—Fair and colder Sunday; brisk west winds.

Port Almanac---Feb. 5.

Sun Rises	7.00	A. M.
Sun Sets	5.29	P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 29	M.
High Water at Southport	3.10	P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	5.40	P. M.

Hall Caine says he likes this country. No doubt. Hall has made some pretty nice hauls of cash out of this country.

It is said that the Philadelphia *Record* made $343,000 in 1897. There are lots of Southern newspapers that didn't make half of that.

The latest show curiosity in London is Hassen Ali, an Egyptian, who claims to be eight feet five inches tall, and he says he isn't stretching it.

Jerry Simpson has coined a new word, plutogogue. Jerry never could find language in the ready-made words to express himself after the Pop. lay-out last November.

German inspectors make rigid inspections of American meat. If they will investigate the American sausage they may aid in solving one of the standing mysteries in this country.

Secretary Alger and a select party of friends are going to take a jaunt through Cuba, at the expense of Uncle Sam. Alger and his friends are doubtless on the look for something to gobble up.

Considering its late experience in electing a U. S. Senator, the House of Delegates in West Virginia is now in favor of letting the people elect Senators and has so declared by a vote of 57 to 4.

A Delaware man who went to Philadelphia became so absent-minded that he forgot his name and couldn't identify himself until he saw his picture. Philadelphia has a queer effect on some people.

There were 457 cases of typhoid fever in Philadelphia last week, the result of bad drinking water, and yet the average Philadelphian takes more interest in the pending Senatorial election in that State than he does in the drinking water.

It is said that Switzerland takes in about $24,000,000 a year for feeding and lodging tourists and $6,000,000 from the sale of souvenirs, and a very large part of this is paid by Americans, who have equally as fine if not finer scenery in their own country.

Have you been waiting? Well, now is your chance. Bargains of all kinds at The C. W. Polvogt Co. during this week. †

LOCAL DOTS.

—Mr. P. H. Hayden offers a house for sale on Wrightville Beach.

— The schooner *Melissa Trask*, Capt. French, arrived yesterday to Messrs. Harriss, Son & Co.

— Five marriage licenses were granted during last week; two to white and three to colored couples.

— Superintendent Perry and his street force are now improving Fifth street between Princess and Market.

— Only one of the expected negro troops arrived yesterday. The others are now looked for on Tuesday.

— Frank Onslow and Tom Walker, both colored, were arraigned in the police court yesterday for being drunk and disorderly. Onslow was fined $5, and Walker $10.

—Prof. John E. Cowell, the tonsorial artist, has cleared his ship from 11 South Front street and is now anchored at 125 Princess street, and invites his friends to come aboard.

—There were receipts yesterday of 285 bales of cotton against 337 on the corresponding day last year. Sixty-two of the number were brought by the *Oneida* on her Georgetown trip.

— The County Commissioners will meet in regular monthly session at noon to-morrow. The board of managers of the City Hospital will meet at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

— The schooner *B. I. Hazard*, Capt. Blatchford, was cleared yesterday afternoon by Messrs. Geo. Harriss, Son & Co., for New York, with a cargo of 270,000 feet of lumber from the Cape Fear Lumber Co.

— The Democratic caucus adopted the following resolution Friday night: "Resolved, That this General Assembly should finish its duties by the 25th of February, and on that day adjourn to a day hereafter to be agreed upon."

— A number of Wilmingtonians attended a unique entertainment at Southport Friday night. It was a "Bellamy Ball," patented after the "Bellamy Ball" in which New York's "400" were the participants a few weeks ago.

— The steamer *Driver* on her last trip to Fayetteville met with an accident to the spindle of her wheel and has been here several days for repairs. She will leave for Fayetteville on her usual schedule to-morrow afternoon.

— Mr. N. F. Parker, the furniture man, announces that inasmuch as he failed to get all the styles of chiffoniers in stock last week that he intended to have, he will continue the special cheffonier sale during the coming week.

— The charming young ladies of the First Presbyterian church, with their winsome witcheries, will give a valentine entertainment at Abbie Chadbourn Memorial Hall, Friday night, February 14th. It will be for the benefit of the Sunday School, and the STAR wishes the ladies much success.

— There were no new developments in the small pox situation yesterday. The patient is closely confined and there is no danger of a contagion. Dr. McMillan is giving the matter the closest attention, and in company with Capt. Robert Green, made several visits to the pest house yesterday.

— No question involving the issuance of $50,000 in bonds should be submitted to the voters of New Hanover county before the suffrage amendment to the constitution is adopted. It would be an outrage to have this additional burden (or eight-ninths of it) placed on the people of Wilmington by the negro vote.

— The old and well established house of A. D. Brown will place on sale to-morrow morning a full line of white goods and embroideries, embracing every style of the former, and the largest, newest and most exquisite patterns of the latter. When you see what Whitaker, the advertising editor, has to say in the STAR you may bet "it is so." "He always does things up Brown."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Jno. H. Kuck—Notice.
J. E. Cowell—Removed.
N. F. Parker—Furniture.
Clyde Line—Sailing days.
Sam'l Bear, Sr.—For sale.
John G. Wright—Wanted.
C. W. Polvogt Co.—Big sale.
M. H. Curran—A Spring suit.
W. B. Cooper—R. R. potatoes.
King Grocery Co.—A pleasure.
Opera House—Lee's hypnotists.
Johnson & Fore—For this week.
C. W. Yates & Co.—Valentines, Entertainment—Calico Carnival.
G. M. Summerell—To rent or lease.
G. O. Gaylord Time waits for no man.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Valentine Entertainment.
P. H. Hayden—House for sale.
DuBrutz Cutlar, Jr.—For sale.
P. H. Hayden—Buggies, harness.
Mrs. C. D. Jacobs—Boarders wanted.

Prominent Tobacco Manufacturer.

Mr. W. W. Wood, of the firm of Berger-Wood Tobacco Co., manufacturers of plug and twist tobaccos at Greensboro, spent yesterday in the city. Mr. Wood was one of the pioneer tobacco manufacturers of Winston and is recognized in tobacco circles as the highest authority on the best methods of manufacturing fine chewing tobacco. He leaves for Charleston to-day.

Clearing Sale this week at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

SHADOWS OF EVENTS OF COMING WEEK.

The Approach of Lent Quickens Social Life—Some of the Principal Functions—Other Notes.

Quite a number of social events of especial pleasurableness are in store for Wilmingtonians during this the last week before Lent. Probably none are of more general interest than the two February Germans, the first on Wednesday night, by L'Agile Cotillon Club and the second by L'Arioso German Club on Thursday. The Wednesday night german will be led by Mr. James H. Cowan and the one on Thursday night by Mr. Warren Johnson.

During the past week the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh MacRae received invitations to a reception to be given on Friday evening from nine until twelve o'clock at their home, No. 713 Market street. The reception will be a compliment to Captain and Mrs. Donald MacRae.

Two departments of the North Carolina Sorosis will meet during the week. The Literary Department will meet on Thursday afternoon. Features of the programme will be a paper entitled "Philosophers and Theologians of Locke's Time (1632—1704)." Prepared and read by a member of the Society; a reading from Locke's "Essay On Human Understanding," and a paper entitled "The Corrupt Drama." The Sorosis' rendezvous is in the S. A. L. building. The Art Department will meet on Saturday afternoon. The principal feature of study will be "The Lesser Works of Da Vinci."

Tuesday evening the first of the Wilmington Lyceum course of lectures as provided for under the united auspices of the Lyceum and the Y. M. C. A. Star Course will be given. Mr. Hamilton H. Mabie, one of the most fluent speakers now on the American stage, will be the lecturer.

Every night this week Lee, the famous hypnotist, will entertain at the Opera House. He brings a company of skilled assistants and announces many new and startling features which will doubtless attract large crowds. Wherever Lee has been this season the Press has pronounced his achievements in the exercise of the mysterious art of hypnotism as marvelous and oft-times mirth-provoking.

Final arrangements have been made for the famous French Opera Company, now playing in New Orleans, to entertain in the Wilmington Opera House on the 18th inst. They will present "Madam Augot" by *Lecocv* at the matinee and "Parisian Life" by *Offenbach* at night. Mr. Rob Römain, the advance agent, has been in the city for several days.

The following is a unique invitation to all STAR readers to attend a very unusual sort of an entertainment and one withal which gives promise of lots of fun:

Consider yourself cordially invited to be present at the correctly constructed and considerately combined Calico Carnival, to be held in the Lecture Room of the First Baptist Church, on Friday, February 10th. The price of admission will be ten cents. Collation—Conspicuous courses served in confused compactness, one conglomerated compound circle, one cup of communicative cordial (containing no chicory), one cup Chinese cheer, or one cup choice churned cream. One cider-cured cucumber and one cup cold comfort. Other carefully concocted culinary conceits. Rules and Regulations—All ladies are counseled to wear a calico dress or apron, and also to send a calico tie of corresponding color combinations to the Lecture Room of the First Baptist Church on Friday morning. Ladies are further counseled to carefully conceal ties in a sealed envelope, and are requested to bring four calico quilt squares correctly cut, 3x3. All gentlemen are urgently asked to come without a neck-tie, and to bring a thimble, in order to carefully combine the correctly cut quilt squares. Conclusive program: Comical carols, and carols which are not comical; also, recitations which correspond in comicality and in other conditions.

Yesterday Manager Schloss closed a contract for the appearance of the British Guard Band at the Opera House on March 16th. This is England's greatest military band—"Her Majesty's Grenadier Guards"—under the leadership of Lieut. Dan Godfrey, R. A. M. Their first engagement in America will be at the White House on March 6th. They expect to sail from London on the 22d inst., and will spend ten weeks touring the principal cities of the United States. The band comprises forty people Mr. W. W. Powers, general representative, was here yesterday.

The Wilmington Dramatic Club has decided to postpone the "Evening of Comedy" entertainment intended to be given on the 13th inst., until after Easter. The reason for the postponement is that there has been such a delay in procuring the manuscripts for "Comedy and Tragedy," one of the features of event, that there is not now time to properly rehearse the plays before Easter.

Example of Negro Insolence.

Jno. White and Harry Thomas, two young colored boys, were arrested late yesterday afternoon for making an attack with rocks upon two little daughters of night jailor Branch at the City Hall, while they were playing about the yard near their home on Surry street. One of the little girls, who was rolling a baby carriage, was quite painfully injured by one of the rocks, which struck her in the mouth. The boys will be tried to-morrow morning.

ATLANTIC AND YADKIN RAILWAY COMPANY.

First Meeting of Stockholders Held Yesterday—Recess Taken Until Monday—Organization Perfected.

The first meeting of the stockholders of the Atlantic and Yadkin Railway Company was held, according to previous advertisement in the STAR, in the offices of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company on Front street yesterday at noon. All stockholders were represented and organization was perfected. However, the meeting took a recess until to-morrow (Monday) at 10 A. M. without transacting any business pertaining to assuming management of the C. F. & Y. V. railroad, for the purchase of which the Atlantic and Yadkin was organized. These matters were all deferred until the meeting to be held to-morrow.

The STAR has it from high authority that the Atlantic Coast Line, of which the Atlantic and Yadkin is to be a part, will assume the management of the C. F. & Y. V. early this week. However, no official announcement has yet been made.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Dr. Blackwell's third talk to young people at the Baptist Church to-night will be on "Our Besetting Sins."

St. Thomas' Church; First mass and holy communion 7. A. M. High mass and sermon, 10.30. Vespers, 7.45 P. M.

St. James' Church, Sexagesima Sunday, services: 11 A. M., litery sermon, the holy communion; 5 P. M., evening prayer. Sunday school at 3.45 P. M. Strangers cordially invited.

Services at Grace M. E. Church, corner Grace and Fourth streets, Sunday, at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday school at 3.30 P. M. Rev. A. P. Tyer, pastor.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Sixth and Market streets, A. G. Voigt, D. D., pastor. English services to-day at 11 A. M.; German services at 7.30 P. M. Sunday School at 3.30 P. M.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran Church, N. Fourth street above Bladen, Rev. G. D. Bernheim, pastor. Morning service at 11 o'clock; evening service) at 7:30; Sunday school at 9:30 A. M. All seats free, and every person welcome.

Services in St. John's Church today, Sexagesima Sunday, by the rector, Rev. Dr. Carmichael. Litany, sermon and holy communion, 11 A. M.; evening prayer, 5 o'clock. Sunday school, 4 P. M.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—69 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—143 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine, 187 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Carolina Central Railroad—9 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 49 barrels tar, 20 barrels crude turpentine.

C. F. & Y. V. Railroad—9 casks spirits turpentine, 220 barrels rosin, 43 barrels tar.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—475 barrels rosin, 143 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—2 bales cotton, 11 casks spirits turpentine, 158 barrels rosin, 231 barrels tar, 40 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer W. T. Daggett—27 barrels tar.

Steamer Oneida—62 bales cotton.

Schooner Gold Leaf—13 casks spirits turpentine, 14 barrels rosin.

Total—Cotton, 285 bales; spirits turpentine, 39 casks; rosin, 867 barrels; tar, 680 barrels; crude turpentine, 64 barrels.

Taken to Southport for Interment.

The remains of Mrs. Rebecca Daniels, wife of Mr. Joseph Daniels, whose death occurred at the residence of Mrs. St. George, on Dock street, between Front and Second, on Friday night, were taken to Southport on the *Wilmington* yesterday afternoon for interment. Mrs. Daniels came to Wilmington several weeks ago for treatment, but she gradually became worse and was unable to return before her death. She leaves two small children and a husband, a well known pilot of Southport, who have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their bereavement. The funeral will be conducted at her home to-day.

Sportsmen Homeward Bound.

Seven gentlemen from Chester, Pa., who have been in this section the past several weeks on a hunting and fishing expedition, spent Friday in the city and left for their homes on the evening train. They seemed delighted with their sojourn in this section. A cage containing a number of partridges was among the "curios" which they carried back with them. The party consisted of Hon. Thos. Clayton, Mr. William Hughes, Mr. Jno. Paul, Mr. David B. McClure, Mr. Andrew McClure, Mr. Chas. Longbotham and Mr. William H. Hall.

Weekly Police Record.

The weekly police records show that for the week ending last night only 12 arrests were made, 4 of the number being white and 8 colored persons. The offences for which they were arrested are tabulated as follows: Disorderly conduct 4, drunk and disorderly 3, drunk and down 2, false pretence 2, and vagrancy 1. It also appears from the records that $66.50 was paid into the treasury as pound fees for December, which exceeds the amount by several dollars paid in under the Wright administration for a whole year.

Just south of where the First National Bank building used to be The C. W. Polvogt Co. will offer bargains for one week, commencing February 6th. Terms cash. †

Annual Clearing Sale at The C. W. Polvogt Co. during this week. †

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Col. H. M. Drane, of Armour, was in the city yesterday.

— Mr. I. Hogeland, of Verona, was here on business yesterday.

— Mr. A. W. Prince, of Holly Ridge, spent last night in the city.

— Mr. Henry Miller, of Raleigh, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

—Mrs. N. F. Parker is spending some time with relatives in Southport.

— Mr. L. H. McClammy was down from Scott's Hill yesterday, making business calls.

— Mr. W. B. Walling, a prominent mill man of Washington, N. C., is in the city on a business trip.

— Col. Walker Taylor went up to Wilson last night to spend Sunday with Mrs. Taylor, who is visiting relatives there.

— Mrs. Haywood D. White, of Raleigh, is visiting in the city, the guest of her brother, Mr. W. W. Roberts, No. 207 Church street.

— Mr. J. A. Munn has accepted a position as travelling salesman for Messrs. Love & Flynn, and left yesterday afternoon on his first trip.

— Mr. Leslie Mann, who has a position in the A. C. L. Auditor's office, left last night to spend Sunday with his parents in Sampson county.

— Mr. Claude Cauthorn, a rising young business man of Sumter, S. C., is spending several days in Wilmington, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jno. J. Fowler.

— Mrs. H. F. Wilder left last night for Charleston, which will be her future home, Mr. Wilder having been transferred from the A. C. L. offices here to that city, where he is train dispatcher.

— Miss Ethel McLeod, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is in the city, the guest of her cousin, Miss Maud McLeod. Miss McLeod is a daughter of Mr. A. H. McLeod, traffic manager of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad, who is also spending a few days in the city.

FITZSIMMONS AND SHARKEY.

Arrangements in Progress for the Fight. To be Twenty-five Rounds or More. Winner to Take All.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Feb. 3.—Julian and O'Rourke have settled the dispute over the $2,500 check put up by Sharkey to cover Fitzsimmons' forfeit. The check is to be cashed to-morrow and the parties are to meet in Chicago or New York next week to sign articles for the fight, which is to be twenty-five rounds or more, winner to take all, and to take place before the club offering the best purse, barring the Lenox Club, of New York.

OMAHA, NEB., Feb. 3.—J. H. Miles, president of the Fremont Hot Springs Company, of Wyoming, went East this morning to press his offer of $20,000 for the Sharkey-Fitzsimmons fight. He says he is fully able to demonstrate his ability to hold the fight without interference at that point and also to give any guarantee desired as to the final end of the affair.

GRAND RAPIDS, MICH., Feb. 4.—Before leaving for Milwaukee tonight Fitzsimmons said, in reply to Sharkey's announcement that he will not fight in less than a year: "He will fight now within a reasonable time, or not at all. Six weeks is time enough. If Sharkey will not agree to that he will be dropped, and we will take on Jeffries."

TO CONSOLIDATE ROADS.

The Seaboard Air Line to Become a Compact System.

[*News and Observer.*]

A bill has been prepared and will be introduced in the General Assembly to-day to amend the charter of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company and authorize it to consolidate with the Seaboard and Roanoke and other companies composing the Seaboard Air Line, the effect of which will be to consolidate all of these roads and domesticate them as one corporation under the charter of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company.

The rights of minority stockholders seem to be fully protected, by requiring the payment to them, if they do not desire to go into the new arrangement, of the full value of their stock.

Thus, the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company is to be made the one corporation; all others to be merged into it.

Pretty Decorative Work.

Mr. George Miller, the skilled decorator who has decorated a number of Wilmington's residences and business houses and does that class of work for Mr. Thos. A. McIntyre at his splendid county place, "Onslow Hall," near Jacksonville, is now decorating the retail salesroom of Geo. R. French & Son's shoe establishment. The design is thoroughly artistic as is all work done by this gifted decorator. Beautiful pannels, lovely garlands of flowers, birds and other figures combine to make a lovely fresco design for the ceiling.

Schubert Hall Recital.

In Schubert Hall yesterday afternoon there was the usual recital by pupils of Miss Cannie Chasten. Features of the programme were: "Prelude and Fugue in C Minor," *Bach*, (from Well Tempered Clavichord), by Miss Fannie Corbett; "Tarantelle," *Dennee*, by Miss May Muse; "On the Mountains Op. 19 No. 1," *Grieg*, by Miss Henri Shepard; "Gondoliera," *Liszt*, by Miss Bessie D. Burtt; "Polonaise" (in E Major), *Liszt*, by Master James Craft.

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CAPE FEAR & YADKIN SALE.

Purchase Adjusted—Distribution to Bondholders As Soon As Costs and Expenses Are Determined.

[*Baltimore Sun.*]

Messrs. Henry Walters, B. F. Newcomer, Michael Jenkins and Warren G. Elliott, purchasers of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad on account of the Atlantic Coast Line, yesterday turned in as part payment about $1,000,000 of bonds which were controlled by the New York committee and they were cancelled by Mr. E. S. Martin and Mr. Clement Manly, the master commissioners appointed by Judge Simonton to make the sale and distribute the proceeds. A cash payment of $1,000,000 was made, which will be used to pay off the bonds held in Baltimore.

The purchasers have now fully adjusted the purchase money with the commisssoners, who have been in Baltimore for a few days.

The distribution to the bondholders will be made as soon as the costs and expenses have been determined by the United States Circuit Court. This will be done as soon as Judge Simonton is able to hear the case or designates another judge to hear it. The matter is delayed by Judge Simonton's illness, but he is reported to be convalescent. The Baltimore committee are making every effort to expedite the distribution. The decree of sale ordered the purchase money to be deposited in solvent national banks in the State of North Carolina, to be selected by the commissioners.

The Baltimore committee of bondholders consists of Messrs. Wm. H. Blackford (chairman), Wm. H. Perot, Jno. A. Tompkins, F. T. Redwood, Basil B. Gordon and J. W. Middendorf.

RESOLUTIONS OF REGRET.

WHEREAS, The tender relation of pastor and people is about to be dissolved by Elder J. P. King declining to serve this church for the year 1899, though unanimously elected as pastor in conference, held the 3rd February, 1899. We, the committee selected by the church to express our sorrow at his departure and to commend him to the people he is about to cast his lot with in Florida, do hereby, in this feeble manner, bid him a sorrowful farewell, and can testify that he has devoted his life for twenty-eight years to the cause of the truth once handed down to the saints, "thus saith the Lord," always true, always faithful, always consecrated to the Master, and always ready to help his fellow man in every good word and work—never thinking of self, ready to communicate and a workman worthy of his high vocation. We heartily commend him to God's people everywhere he may go, and if there's a greater teacher and preacher in any State anywhere, it has not been our lot (any of us) to hear him; and now farewell, our dear brother. "The will of the Lord be done, Acts xxi-14, if we shall see thy face no more until the Master be come we can testify that thy skirts are clear of the blood of every man in this city; that we believe will soon be in flames (with the rest of the works therein). And be sure thy health, thy welfare and thy work will ever be a source of solicitude and care to us. And may thy body and spirit be preserved entire unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen. And may God be with thee (and thine) till we meet again. God bless you.

ELDER J. W. S. HARVEY,
ELDER W. E. STREETER,
PRESTON CUMMING,
J. W. REAVES,
H. G. SAUNDERS, Ch'm'n.

Stolen Bicycle Recovered.

Mr. J. M. Wright, of the Carolina Bicycle Company, yesterday received the wheel which was stolen from him Friday, particulars of which were published in the STAR yesterday. He notified the Chief of Police of Goldsboro of the supposed theft, and the Chief immediately replied that he thought he had recovered the machine. Mr. R. L. Sellers went up to Goldsboro yesterday morning, identified the wheel and brought it back last night. The wheel was found in front of one of the hotels at Goldsboro, and the supposition is that the thief, after riding it that far, boarded the train for Raleigh and left it. A persistent effort was made by the Goldsboro officers to arrest the thief, but he could not be found.

Contributions Acknowledged.

The Benevolent Society acknowledges gifts to the Home during the past month from the following friends: Mrs. H. F. Wilder, Mrs. R. J. Bunting, Mrs. W. S. Warrock, Mrs. Carl Mahler, Mrs. Bridgers, Mrs. J. M. Brown, Mrs. W. H. Turlington, Mrs. E. A. King, Miss Janie Horne, Miss Louise Harlowe, Mrs. A. G. Hankins, Miss Blanche Fentress, Mrs. W. H. Yopp, Mrs. B. F. Hall, Mrs. Roger Moore, Mrs. W. R. French, Mr. J. F. Garrell, and Mr. W. M. Hayes beef weekly, Miss Puss Hancock, Mr. J. Hicks Bunting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Society will be held on Tuesday the 7th inst., at 7 o'clock. All members are expected to attend.

The Sun and the Star.

"Please leave off your Port Almanac reports, which are generally 25 or 30 minutes in error between the rising of the sun and the going down of the same, and oblige, ——."

The above, from Fayetteville, was referred to our weather observer, who tells the STAR that the sun "rises and sets," so far as Wilmington is concerned, at the time appointed therefor by Turner's Almanac and Capt. E. D. Williams' commercial calendar. Perhaps the town clock in Fayetteville—not the sun—is in fault. Years ago it was dilatory, and the *Observer* on one occasion printed the following:

"'It's a race, it's a race,' cried a wag as he passed.
"Old Time is as still as a mouse.
"The race is between the stopped watch of the town
"And the dumb one on Hardy's brick house."

Annual Clearing Sale at The C. W. Polvogt Co. during this week. †

Dry Goods, Carpets, Notions, etc., at Bargain Prices for one week, commencing February 6th, at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

Baking Day is a Pleasure

to the housewife when she is providrd with satisfactory baking material for her pies, cakes and bread. You will have rich light cakes and delicious pies when using our high grade Patent Pastry Flour, pure and fine flavoring Extracts, fine Lard at 7c, Butter at 20c and 25c, and Cottolene. Our home-made Mince Meat, Canned Pineapple and Shredded Cocoanut saves time and trouble.

THE KING GROCERY CO.,
B. F. KING, MANAGER.
'Phone 187. Fourth Street Bridge.
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NO-FENCE LAW.

The New Hanover Bill Has Not Yet Gone to the Senate.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., February 4.—The only amendment thus far made to the bill for a stock or no-fence law for New Hanover county, is a change of the date when the law is to go into effect. The change is from October 1st, 1898, to January 1st, 1900. The bill has not yet gone to the Senate.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Calico Carnival.

An attractive and unique entertainment to be given at the Lecture Room of the First Baptist Church, on Friday, February 10th, 1899. An admirable musical and dramatic programme will be rendered. Refreshments of all kinds will be served at popular prices. Admission 10 cents.
feb 5 3t

WANTED.

EVERY MEMBER OF THE LABORERS' Union to be present at their meeting to-morrow night at 7.30 o'clock at the Hibernian Hall, opposite City Hall, for the transaction of important business.
JNO. G. MARSHALL,
fe 5 1t Acting Secretary.

Barber Shop Removed.

JOHN E. COWELL has removed from 11 South Front street to 125 Princess street, between Front and Second, where he is prepared to serve his friends in a style that cannot be surpassed in the art tonsorial.
fe 5 tf

The Annual Meeting

Of the Stockholders of the Wilmington Seacoast Rail Road Company will be held in this city on Tuesday, the 7th February, at 11 o'clock A. M., at the rooms of the Merchants' Association, in Seaboard Air Line building, Front street.
J. S. WORTH,
fe 4 3t Secretary and Treasurer.

TO RENT OR LEASE.

A farm at Armour, N. C., immediately on the C. C. R. R., twenty miles from Wilmington, N. C. The land is well adapted for a Dairy or Poultry Farm, or the culture of Strawberries, trucking, etc. A comfortable house containing seven rooms, including bath room, store, barn, stables and other necessary out houses. Excellent water, healthy location. Kind neighbors. Postoffice on the premises. For further information apply to
feb 5 1t G. M. SUMMERELL, No. 111 North Fifth street.

For Sale.

One Soda Water Fountain.

Tutt's make, Boston, Mass., known as "Magnolia."
Original cost $1,500
Five charges, copper, original cost $40 each 200
Total cost $1,500

Will sell the entire outfit at a sacrifice. Rare Bargain. All in Good Order.

SAMUEL BEAR, Sr.,
fe 5 tf Wilmington, N. C.

E. R. POTATOES.

100 bags E. R. Potatoes.
75 bags Ohio Potatoes.
25 Picnic Cheese.
90 bags Java Rice.
50 barrels Carolina Rice.
15 boxes Peanut Candy.
25 tubs Broken Candy.
10 boxes Ball Candy.
50 pails Mixed Candy.
75 boxes Stick Candy.
90 bags Wheat Bran.
240 bales Hay.
700 bushels Corn.

W. B. COOPER,
Wholesale Grocer.
fe 5 tf Wilmington N. C.

NOTICE.

I wish to inform my regular customers, friends and the public at large that I am now sole agent for North Carolina for the celebrated "RHINE WINE" in bulk, made of nothing but pure grapes and guaranteed the purest and oldest Wine on the market, positively not adulterated. The finest Wine for either table use or cooking purposes in the State.

Delivered at your house for One Dollar per gallon. Our very best citizens are using it and will gladly testify to its merit.

Samples free at store, or if you ring up Bell 'Phone 185 I will take pleasure in sending sample to your residence free of charge.

I am also selling, wholesale and retail, the celebrated pure Cider, made from grafted fruit, which is known by many as the Foster Cider—and the only pure Cider sold on this market. Sole agent for city of Wilmington.

Truly yours,
JNO. H. KUCK,
Bell 'Phone 185. No. 6 North Water street. fe 5 1w

Christmas is Over
Our Oranges all Gone,

and we thank you for the trade given us.

We are here to do business, and ask your patronage.

Our Motto is to Please.

McNAIR & PEARSALL.
ja 8 tf

Johnson & Fore

Will offer the well known brands of

Bleached Cotton

at the following prices

FOR THIS WEEK:

36 inch Fruit of the Loom Shirting 7c
36 " Lonsdale Shirting . . . 7c
36 " Masonville Shirting . . . 7c
36 " Hill Shirting 7c
36 " Wamsutta Shirting . . . 10c

Several pieces of Good

Crash at 5c per yard.

A Beautiful Line of

WASH FABRICS

just received.

Johnson & Fore.
fe 5 tf

"We Are the People"

Who have for sale 2000 bushels Texas Red Rust Proof

SEED OATS.

We have sold for ten years the well known brand of

"Q" FLOUR,

and guarantee the quality even and never changes—and has given universal satisfaction

Vollers & Hashagen,
Wholesale Grain, Provisions, &c.
ja 22 tf Nutt street, Wilmington, N. C.

Seed Oats

this year are generally mouldy and unsound. We have

North Carolina
R. R. P. Oats
tested by ourselves.

Finest Quality and Low Price.

BAGGING AND TIES.
Groceries Generally.

The Worth Company.
o 12 tf

HORSES AND MULES.

Just received new load Horses and Mules. Among them some extra fine drivers, roadsters and mated teams. And a full line of general purpose and farm Horses and Mules. Can compete with any firm in quality and price.

L. W. BATES,
Market street between Second and Third.
ja 22 tf

OPERA HOUSE.

WEEK Commencing MONDAY, FEB. 6.

Return of the Record-Breaker,

LEE,

And His Great Company of

NYPNOTISTS.

A Hundred New and Startling Features. "Cataleptic Statues." Cake Walk. Country School Teacher.

HUMAN BRIDGE.

Prices, 50, 35, 25, 15 cents.
fe 3 3t

Special for Saturday.

BEST CREAM CHEESE 12 1-2c PER POUND

Macaroni at 7½c per pound.

S. W. SANDERS,
At The Unlucky Corner.

Watch my ad. Wednesday morning. February 8th.
fe 4 tf

PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, $5.00 year, $2.50 for six months, $1.35 for three months, 50 cents for one month to mail subscribers. Delivered to city subscribers at the rate of 45 cents per month for any period from one month to one year.

ADVERTISING RATES (DAILY)—One square one day, $1.00; two days, $1.75; three days, $2.50; four days, $3.00; five days, $3.50; one week, $4.00; two weeks, $6.50; three weeks, $8.50; one month, $10.000; two months, $17.00; three months, $24.00; six months, $40.00; twelve month, $60.00. Ten lines of solid Nonpariel type make one square.

THE WEEKLY STAR is published every Friday morning at $1.00 per year, 60 cents for six months, 30 cents for three months.

All announcements of Fairs, Festivals, Balls, Hops Picnics, Society Meetings, Political meetings, &c., will be charged regular advertising rates.

Advertisements discontinued before the time contracted for has expired, charged transient rates for time actually published.

No advertisements inserted in Local Columns at any price.

All announcements and recommendations of candidates for office, whether in the shape of communications or otherwise, will be charged as advertisements.

Payments for transient advertisements must be made in advance. Known parties, or strangers with proper reference, may pay monthly or quarterly, according to contract.

Remittances must be made by Check, Draft, Postal Money Order, Express or in Registered Letter. Only such remittances will be at the risk of the publisher.

Communications, unless they contain important news or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and, if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected if the real name of the author is withheld.

Notices of Marriage or Death, Tributes of Respect, Resolutions of Thanks, &c., are charged for as ordinary advertisements, but only half rates when paid for strictly in advance. At this rate 50 cents will pay for a simple announcement of Marriage or Death.

Advertisements inserted once a week in Daily will be charged $1.00 per square for each insertion. Every other day, three-fourths of daily rate. Twice a week, two-thirds of daily rate.

Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space or advertise anything foreign to their regular business without extra charge at transient rates.

Advertisements kept under the head of "New Advertisements" will be charged fifty per cent. extra.

Advertisements to follow reading matter, or to occupy any special place, will be charged extra according to the position desired.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 5.

EXPORT FIGURES.

The following revised table, showing our exports for the years 1897 and 1898, has been issued by the Bureau of Statistics:

	1897.	1898.
Agricult'e.	$730,323,514	$851,922,450
Manufac'rs	279,616,898	307,924,994
Mining....	19,792,796	25,851,092
Forest....	40,834,864	39,030,313
Fisheries..	5,649,945	5,819,208
Miscella's.	3,645,001	3,016,771
Total..	$1,079,863,018	$1,233,564,828
Foreign..	19,880,536	21,929,530
Gra'd to'l.	$1,099,743,554	$2,255,494,358

These are interesting figures showing, as they do, the progress our country is making in entering foreign markets, even under conditions that have not been altogether favorable. While the volume of our agricultural products is very large and represents an immense amount of foodstuffs, the remarkable, and perhaps the most encouraging feature of this statement is the exhibit made of the exports of manufactures, for that bespeaks two things, the ability of our manufacturers to compete with the manufacturers of other countries and the energy they have shown in effecting an entrance into foreign markets and competing with foreign rivals.

The volume of our exported foodstuffs does not depend so much upon efforts to find markets as it does upon the necessities of the purchasers and to some extent upon their misfortunes. While this country may always be to a greater or less extent the granary for the largely populated countries of Europe, which cannot or do not produce enough to feed their own people, the amount they buy from us will always depend upon the amount they raise, this being greater in some years than in others. They will never buy more than they need, and therefore it may be safe to infer that extraordinary draws will never be made upon us unless calamity of some kind comes upon them, so that to some extent, at least, the prosperity of our food producers will be dependent upon the calamities that befall others. This is not a very pleasant view to take of it, but it is the correct view, and is one reason why we cannot congratulate ourselves on our good fortune in the selling abroad an extraordinary amount of food stuffs without indirectly at least rejoicing at the afflictions of those who must buy them to keep from starving. Sentimental views of this kind, however, do not figure much in trade matters nor lessen the value of a large balance sheet. Human nature is so constituted that it looks to its own gain first and gives little thought and little sympathy to those out of whom the gain comes. People who furnish army supplies, who make the guns, and the powder and balls and projectiles to kill and destroy, and supply the rations for destroying armies are never in a hurry for wars to end, and they are about as human and humane as the rest of us.

We cannot reasonably expect this large volume of agricultural exports to continue, for the old world will not have short crops every year, and in addition to that large food-growing areas are being opened to the plow, which will in time, and in a short time, too, furnish their contributions to the old world's stock of food, and become to some extent, and probably a great extent, competitors of the food-growing territory in this country. This the American wheat and corn-grower and meat-raiser must eventually face and be prepared for. This will not cut him out of foreign markets altogether, but it will reduce the volume of his shipments and the profits on what he ships. But he has the satisfaction of knowing that the population of his own country is constantly increasing, and increasing rapidly, and that in the not very distant future there will be a home demand for all that he can produce, if not for more. This will ensure reasonable prices, so that the farmer of the future need not abandon his occupation as a hopeless one.

Aside from the gratifying exhibit in general of this table there is one special feature which is decidedly encouraging. This is the increase in the volume of our manufactured exports, especially when taken in connection with the fact that the increase has been steady for two decades, the volume being larger in some years than in others, but showing a steady increase for these decades.

This is a triumph of American genius in inventing and applying labor saving machinery which has reduced the cost of production to a figure that more than counterbalances the much talked of "cheap labor" on the other side of the two oceans, and also to the American business methods and energy that could work the way and establish markets where the European competitors once had a practical monopoly.

It is not supposable that having accomplished so much our manufacturers will relax their efforts to do more, or will surrender any of the ground they have captured. They are not made of that stuff, and most assuredly after having overcome the obstacles they had to contend against in entering foreign markets they will make more progress now that they have cleared the way and learned something from experience. They are not yet done with the problem of reducing the cost of production, for they are constantly making discoveries and inventions to aid them in that, and what has thus far given them this advantage over their foreign competitors will continue to give it to them, and very likely to greater extent.

We are yet not well across the threshold of foreign trade in manufactures. This will yet be the world's greatest market for these things.

SHORT TERM CONVICTS.

Mr. Winston, of Bertie county, has been contributing to the solution of the convict labor problem, in a somewhat practical way, to which the Raleigh *News & Observer*, of Friday refers as follows:

"Perhaps the bill of the greatest importance passed during the day was that introduced some time ago by Mr. Winston, of Bertie, providing for the establishment of county convict farms, and for working convicts on the public roads. The bill permits the county commissioners of each county in the State to purchase a county farm upon which convicts are to be employed. It also provides for working them on the county roads under such regulations as the said commissioners may prescribe.

"If a county does not purchase a farm the court is to sentence convicted persons to the farms of other counties. All persons sentenced to as much as five years must go to these farms.

"Mr. Winston gave an interesting account of the working of convicts in Bertie county. That county has a farm upon which the Home for the Aged and Infirm is located. The work has been the raising of food supplies for the poor and prisoners, and results in saving at least a thousand dollars annually.

"Mr. Winston said that the use of convicts had effected a saving of over $1,000 a year for the past three years in Bertie. The convicts available for such use are those under sentence of five years or less.

"The bill passed without debate, members remarking on all sides that they regarded it as an excellent measure.

"The law is not obligatory, but gives the counties power if desired to thus dispose of their convicts, and also to take convicts from counties which may not desire to avail themselves of the law.

"This bill will relieve the penitentiary of more than half its convicts and will greatly simplify the management of that institution. It would result in purchasing at least one farm for State convicts."

There are some good points in this. In the first place it will save the cost of taking so many criminals to the Penitentiary, and the cost of sending them back to counties which might apply for convicts to work roads. It enables counties which so desire to more easily avail themselves of convict labor to improve their roads. It makes it more feasible for a number of contiguous counties tributary to a common market to unite in constructing roads to that market. It enables counties to feed and care for their dependent poor at less expense and therefore better, while this labor comes into competition with no one, and it also enables the counties which desire it, to have model farms where experiments may be made, where different modes of culture may be tested, and where much might be done that would be of much benefit to the farmers of the county, and at very little expense. On the showing of the *News and Observer*, we rather like this bill, for it is a long step in the direction of solving he convict labor problem.

La Grippe Successfully Treated.

"I have just recovered from the second attack of la grippe this year," says Mr. James A. Jones, publisher of the *Leader*, Mexia, Tex. "In the latter case I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I think with considerable success, only being in bed a little over two days against ten days for the former attack. The second attack I am satisfied would have been equally as bad as the first but for the use of this remedy as I had to go to bed in about six hours after being 'struck' with it, while in the first case I was able to attend to business about two days before getting 'down.'" For sale by R. R. BELLAMY. †

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

"EMBALMED" BEEF.

It seems that we are to have an investigation of the "embalmed" beef charges made by General Miles, who insists, notwithstanding the denials to the contrary, and the reported findings of the whitewash investigating committee, that "embalmed" beef and other beef not fit for use was shipped to the soldiers in our own camps and in Cuba and Porto Rico. In published interviews he has declared that he can substantiate those charges by unquestionable proof thus practically challenging—authoritative denial. His statements were so positive and showed so little consideration for those ranking above him that they were compelled to notice them, and hence the court of inquiry talked about. These charges are true or there has been an immense amount of lying done about this thing, lying not only by men of the rank and file, by men holding subordinate commands and by army physicians, but by men holding high position. That the committee which sat in Washington saw fit to ignore all this testimony and report that the meat which was furnished to the army was "good," without making any exceptions, is strange, to say the least of it, and was well calculated to put General Miles upon his mettle, after he had so frequently, so emphatically and, as he says, with positive proof, asserted the contrary.

The fact is that since this controversy began those in authority have apparently been dodging and much more anxious to suppress the truth than to bring it to light, and the probabilities are that their action is now inspired by the hope that they may be able to suppress Miles.

INCREASE IN TAXABLE VALUES.

According to the report of State Auditor Ayer, the increase in the value of taxable property for 1898 over 1897, foots at $6,855,689.76, divided as follows; on real and personal property $2,392,930.00; telegraph property $383,619.72; steamboat property $16,120.00; railroad property $4,063,030.04. The aggregate value of property listed for taxation was $265,867,197.99, the highest figure ever reached. He estimates, judging from 81 counties reported, that the increase for this year over last will be about $2,500,000.

In view of the "hard times" this is not a bad showing for North Carolina, and is an encouraging contrast to some of the other Southern States which do a good deal more boasting, where the tax estimates show a decrease instead of an increase in values. It shows also that our people have been moving and hustling, although they have not been doing much talking. It may be incidentally remarked, too, that some of our assessments are very low, especially on land, much of which is listed at a ridiculously low figure.

BOOK NOTICES.

The New South is the title of an illustrated monthly which has just been started at Nashville, Tenn. The first issue is interesting and well illustrated. Published by The New South Publishing Company.

The North American Review for February presents a large list of contents, in which some of our ablest writers discuss the political and economic questions which are now engaging public attention. Address the North American Review, No. 291 Fifth avenue, New York.

Gunton's Magazine for February discusses "Prosperity and Social Education," "Improving Opinion on the Philippines," "Cuba's Industrial Problems," "Civics and Education" and other interesting topics. Published by the Gunton Publishing Company, Union Square. New York.

The political reader, and others, too, will find much to interest them in the February number of *The Democratic Magazine*, which presents articles from the pens of Wm. J. Bryan and other prominent Democrats. Address W. S. McComas, editor, Room 404, No. 67 Clark street, Chicago.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Apparently, General Miles is courting an investigation of his own conduct, and Secretary Alger seems willing to accommodate him. This may be interesting to some people, but it it scandalous to the country. —*Baltimore Herald, Ind.*

—— The year just closed was the banner year for shipbuilding all over the world. The aggregate tonnage was 2,210,169 tons. England's share of this was 1,674,685, an increase over 1897 of half a million tons, and and very nearly equaling four-fifths of the whole world's production.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—— The fiat has gone forth against Miles, it is said, and the general of the army is to be brought before a court-martial to answer for having told truths that reflect on the administration. It has been well understood that the proceedings against Eagan were only permitted in order to clear the way for vengeance on Miles.—*Richmond Dispatch Dem.*

—— A cattle drover from another State remarked to us fifteen years ago that it was notorious in the trade that the poorest beef cattle were shipped to Charleston, and that he sent cattle here which he could not dispose of elsewhere, on account of the State and Federal regulations against the shipment of cattle from regions infected with Texas fever. Matters, it appears, have not improved much, if any, since then.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

SHUFFLE SHOON AND AMBER LOCKS.

EUGENE FIELD.

Shuffle Shoon and Amber Locks
Sit together building blocks.
Shuffle Shoon is old and gray,
Amber Locks a little child,
But together at their play
Age and Youth are reconciled,
And with sympathetic glee
Build their castles fair to see.

"When I grow to be a man—"
So the wee one's prattle ran—
"I shall build a castle so—
With a gateway broad and grand;
Here a pretty vine shall grow,
There a soldier guard shall stand;
And the tower shall be so high,
Folks will wonder by and by!"

Shuffle Shoon quoth: "Yes I know;
Thus I builded long ago!
Here a gate and there a wall;
Here a window, there a door;
Here a steeple wondrous tall,
Riseth more and more;
But the years have levelled low
What I builded long ago."

So they gossip at their play,
Heedless of the fleeting day;
One speaks of the Long Ago,
Where his dead hopes buried lie;
One with chubby cheeks aglow
Prattleth of the By and By;
Side by side they build their blocks—
Suffle Shoon and Amber Locks.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— No work will be hard if you have God as your helper.

— There is no force in conviction until it is converted into action.

— The man who never in his life was foolish was never a wise man.—*Heinrich Heine.*

— Sunday is like a stile between the fields of toil, where we can kneel and pray, or sit and mediate—*Longfellow.*

— No two things differ more than hurry and dispatch. Hurry is the mark of a weak mind, dispatch of a strong one.—*Colston.*

— Because your conduct satisfies the demands of your conscience is no reason why you should be satisfied. Better inquire whether your conscience demands enough.

— Impatient people water their miseries and hoe up their comforts; sorrows are visitors that come without invitation, but complaining minds send a wagon to bring their troubles home in —*Spurgon.*

— Wherever we are we may do something for Christ. Some can speak for Him, more can sing for him, and more still can smile for Him. Willing hands will not remain long idle, if wedded to thoughtful hearts and observant eyes.—*Rev. Henry W. Little.*

— The Bible is built very much like the earth we walk on. Here and there one stumbles upon a bright gem lying upon the surface, but the endless veins of wealth run far below, where only those who gently desire them are likely to find them.—*E. L. Pell.*

— However men may deny it, the truth is that Christianity created this nation because it created the individual character, that is the conscience, the will, the purpose of the nation, that has from the Pilgrim and Puritan days moulded and shaped it; and Christianity alone can keep the warm life blood coursing through its veins.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Fair Bluff *Times*: There is a great demand this year for tobacco fertilizers, which indicates that the farmers are preparing to increase the acreage.

— Greenville *Weekly*: The Beaufort Co., Lumber Company will build a railroad from some point, here or elsewhere to Vanceboro, to open up their great lumber interests.

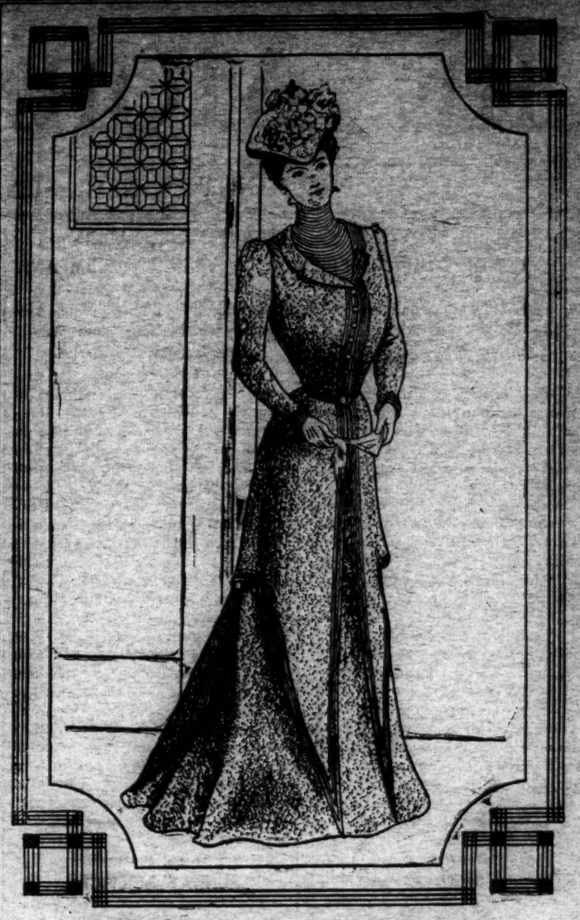
— Monroe *Enquirer*: Mr. F. C. Estridge, of Jackson township, died on January 28th, 1899. He had been sick but a few days of pneumonia. —— Mrs. Mary F Richardson, relict of the late W. W. Richardson, died at her home in Sandy Ridge township on January 4th, 1899.

— Smithfield *Herald*: From the amount of tobacco seed given out at this office it seems that all of Eastern Carolina is going into tobacco this season. —— Saturday night Wright Powell was arrested for severely beating his child and throwing her in the fire. On trial it was developed that the inhuman wretch had more than once thrown this child on the floor and stamped her on the head with his roughly shod feet. He was bound over to court under a bond of $100.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: Two children of Mr. H. R. Whitley, who lives about five miles from Spring Hope died Thursday. It was supposed that they were poisoned by eating home canned "huckleberries." A girl nine years old died in six hours and a boy six years old died in twelve hours after being taken sick. Both children were first attacked by fits, and no other cause could be assigned than the berries. There were also rather children in the family who also ate of the same can, and were not effected at all, but it is thought that these two must have eaten the top which might have contained the poison.

— Winston *Sentinel*: The indications are that the marriage of Miss Myrtle Case, of Salem, to Mr. Brown Grubbs, of Sedge Garden, last Saturday, will result in getting two young men into trouble. As stated in Monday's *Sentinel*, it was a runaway marriage. The license was secured by forging a letter from the young lady's parents, saying they consented to the marriage, or words to that effect. The girl was only 17 and the father has employed counsel to prosecute the parties who forged his his name and that of his wife. Warrants were issued yesterday for the two young men who testified before Register Byerly that the letter was genuine, but they could not be found.

— Wadesboro *Messenger*: Monday night about 12 o'clock Revenne Officers J. W. Hasty, Will Hasty and Horace Moore, of Marshville, captured two whisky wogons and four hoses in the lot back of Mr. Henry William's store. The wagons were driven into the lot Monday afternoon and contained five barrels of blockade whiskey. For obvious reasons no one, so far, has claimed the captured teams and whiskey, which is said to have been worth at least $450, but it is generall understood that they were the property of Mr Thos James, of Davie County. —— The industry established here by Messrs. F. Hargrave and Jas. A. Leak, for the manufacture of pants, drawers, &c., has passed the experimental stage and is now an assured success. Enough machines to almost tripple the output of the factory have already been purchased by these gentlemen and will be put in position and ready to be operated by the first of March. When these new machines have been placed the plant will be of sufficient capacity to turn out from 750 to 1,000 completed garments a day, and to give employment to 45 operatives.



GREEN CLOTH STREET COSTUME FROM HARPER'S BAZAR

A SIMPLE but very handsome walking costume, is designed in green cloth. The bodice is tight-fitting, stimulating a coat; the narrow turned-down collar reveals a tucked cream-white vest with big standing collar. The skirt, made with a pointed tunic, is joined to the bodice by a narrow stitched belt of the material, so that the effect is that of a princesse gown. Rows of machine stitching and crystal buttons form the sole trimming. The machine-stitched cuffs are lined with cream-white silk, as is also the tunic. In cutting the material for this dress, the design of which we have reproduced from HARPER'S BAZAR, the use of the cut paper patterns published by that periodical will be necessary.

GAIL BORDEN EAGLE BRAND
CONDENSED MILK
HAS NO EQUAL AS AN INFANT FOOD.
"INFANT HEALTH" SENT FREE. N.Y. CONDENSED MILK CO. NEW YORK

TWINKLINGS.

— Watts—"I like to see a fellow be happy and whistle at his work." Potts—"Seeing him is better than hearing him."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

— Lacked Interest: Buswick—"Old Stubbins had a very slim funeral." Van Brunt—"Yes; the will was read the day before."—*Philadelphia North American.*

— Strong Literary Test: "Baby is so fond of books!" "Is she indeed?" "Yes, you should see her. She's got so she can snatch a page out with either hand."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— It will Happen Now: Chief of Detectives (dreamily)—"I was just wondering"—— Assistant—"What?" Chief of Detectives—"Who'll be the first actress to have poisoned candy sent to her by mail."—*Puck.*

— He Had a Reason—"Why have you been fighting, little boy?" asked the kind lady. "Fer exercise," was the answer. "Do I look big enough to be a perfesional fightin' fer a purse?" —*Chicago Evening Post.*

— She—"Sometimes you appear really manly, and sometimes you are absolutely effeminate. How do you account for it?" He—"I suppose it is hereditary. Half my ancestors were males and the other half females."—*Tit-Bits.*

— The Wife—"If I should die, would you marry again?" The Husband—"No, indeed, my dear!" The Wife—"Ah, if I could believe you!" The Husband—"I'll bet you anything you want I wont"

— Old and New: Wife—"The old sign, 'If you don't see what you want, ask for it,' would be out of place in a modern department store." Husband—"Yes. Now it ought to be. If you see what you don't want, buy it,""—*Life.*

— Out of Place: Mabel—"I'll never invite Fan Billiwick to a box party at the theatre again as long as I live! Never!" Maud—"Doesn't she know how to behave?" Mabel—"No. She keeps saying: 'Hush! I want to hear the play.'"—*Chicago Tribune.*

Acute Rheumatism.

Every physician is familiar with the appearance of a rheumatic joint—red, puffed and glistening. The difficult and tedious task of reducing a rheumatic joint to its natural size and utility is also well known by most practitioners. Speaking from a personal standpoint and also from experience, the application of ice water, when properly employed, is one of the most valuable of all methods in the treatment of a highly inflamed rheumatic joint. To get satisfactory results the joint must be bathed regularly and systematically. In a recent case a young man with a very badly swollen knee was ordered to bathe it in ice water for five minutes once every hour, to thoroughly rub it afterward, and at the expiration of one week the joint had almost returned to its natural size. The application of ice water is much more pleasant and agreeable to the patient than liniments, flannels, stupes, etc. Cold water acts as a sedative and antiphlogistic to local inflammations.—New York Ledger.

Victim of Inquisitiveness.

Judge—So here you are drunk again.

Fuller Zatick—You see, judge, it's all along of the confounded curiosity of folks.

Judge—Curiosity of folks? Explain.

Fuller Zatick—When I go out for a little walk of an evening, almost everybody I meet is so confounded inquisitive, you know. They all ask me, "What will you drink?" It's none of their business, but what is a gentleman to do? He can't be impolite to a man just because the man happens to be inquisitive.—Boston Transcript.

To the Public.

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BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute		6
Standard		7
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	12	12½
Sides ℔ ℔		8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6½	6¾
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	6¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each		1 10
New New York, each		1 20
New City, each		1 20
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		22
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	7 00
Northern	9 00	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	15	18
Northern	20	23
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	49	50
Virginia Meal		50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18	25
Adamantine	8	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	10½	11½
Dairy Cream		12
State		10½
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	12	16
Rio	8	10
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		70
EGGS—℔ dozen	11	12
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	29 00	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ half-bbl	8 00	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	2 50	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	5 00	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	10
" Extra	4 35	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—		
Low grade		3 00
Choice		3 50
Straight	3 75	4 00
First Patent	4 50	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔		7½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	53	75
Car-load, in bgs—White		50
Oats, from store	40	45
Oats, Rust Proof		45
Cow Peas	60	75
HIDES—℔ ℔		
Green salted		6½
Dry flint		10
Dry salt		9
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s		
Clover Hay	50	75
Rice Straw	40	45
Eastern		75
Western		75
North River		75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	5	7
North Carolina	5	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) W M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	30 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	21 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead		25
Barbadoes, in barrels		28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		27
Porto Rico, in barrels		28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess		11 00
Rump		10 50
Prime		10 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		1 10
Liverpool	75	80
American	70	75
On 120 ℔ Sacks		47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	6 50
Common	1 60	2 25
Cypress Sawn	2 50	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5½	5½
Standard A	5	5½
White Extra C	5	5½
Extra C, Golden		5
C, Yellow		4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		9 00
Mill, Prime		7 00
Mill, Fair		6 50
Common Mill		5 00
Inferior to ordinary	4 50	5 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed	3 00	4 00
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	8 50
" Sap	5 00	6 00
5x24 Heart	6 00	6 50
" Sap	4 00	4 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	6 50
" Sap	5 00	6 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		5
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	3 00
WOOL, Dpt ℔—Unwashed	10	18

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 4.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market steady at 44 cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 43½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market held higher at 90 cents bid per barrel for Strained and $5 cents bid for Good Strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.10 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.35 per barrel for hard, $2.40 for Dip and $2.40 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 32¼@33½c; rosin firm at $1.20, $1.25; tar steady, 95c; crude turpentine steady, $1.40, $1.90, $1.90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	89
Rosin	867
Tar	680
Crude Turpentine	64

Receipts same day last year.—201 casks spirits turpentine, 315 bbls rosin, 153 bbls tar, 41 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5⅞c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Good Ordinary	3 7-16 cts ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4 13-16 " "
Low Middling	4 7-16 " "
Middling	5¾ " "
Good Middling	6 3-16 " "

Same day last year middling 5½c.

Receipts—285 bales; same day last year, 337.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 55@60c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 65c; Fancy, 70. Virginia—Extra Prime, 55c; Fancy, 60c; Spanish, 80 @90c.

CORN—Firm; 42½@47½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to $2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch, $3.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to $6.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 4.—Money on call was steady at 2½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 2½@3½ per cent. Sterling exchange firmer; actual business in bankers' bills at 485¼@485¾ for demand and 483¼@483¾ for sixty days. Posted rates were 484@484½ and 486@486½. Commercial bills 482½. Silver certificates nominal at 59¼@60¼. Bar silver 59¾. Mexican dollars 47. Government bonds irregular. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds firm. U. S. 3's, 107; U. S. new 4's, registered, 128¾@128¾; do. coupon, 128¾@129; U. S. 4's 112½; do. coupon, 112½@113½; do. 2's 99; U. S. 5's, registered, 111¾@112½; do. 5's, coupon, 111¾@112½; N. C. 6's 130; do. 4's, 104; Southern Railway 5's 106. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 71; Chesapeake & Ohio 29⅞; Manhattan L 111¼; N. Y. Central 136½; Reading 21⅝; do. 1st preferred 60½; St. Paul 127⅛; do. preferred 168; Southern Railway 13⅛; do. preferred 50⅛; American Tobacco 144½; do. preferred 136; People's Gas 113½; Sugar 133½; do. preferred 112½; T. C. & Iron 43; U. S. Leather 7¼; do. preferred 75; Western Union 95⅛.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 4.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 30@1 32½. Spirits turpentine steady at 45½@46c.

CHARLESTON, February 4.—Spirits turpentine firm at 43c; no sales. Rosin steady and unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, February 4.—Spirits turpentine opened quiet at 43½c, with no sales; closed firm at 43½c, with sales of 50 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 5,147 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 4.—A better feeling prevailed in local cottons today, but taking into account a firmer class of cables than seemed justified, considering our weakness of yesterday and a generally bullish set of advices from Southern points, our market showed less strength than anticipated. August moved up to 6.13 and held the advance throughout the earlier portion of the session. The more important factors sustaining the market included small movement at both ports and interior towns, pronounced strength in Wall street, most encouraging weekly statement from Fall River cloth markets, correction in the Houston stock from 150,000 to 110,000 bales, generally light to very heavy rains in the cotton belt, which gave promise of extending to the cotton region. This array of favorable influences failed to frighten leading bears, however, as the bull crowd made little or no effort to profit by their advantage. The market for futures closed steady at a net rise of 1 to 4 points.

NEW YORK, February 4.—Cotton quiet; middling uplands 6 5-16c.

Cotton futures market closed steady: February 6.02c, March 6.04c, April 6.05, May 6.07c, June 6.07c, July 6.08c, August 6.11c, September 5.95c, October 5.96, November 5.96c, December 6.00c.

Spot cotton market closed quiet; middling uplands 6 1-16c; middling gulf 6 9 16c; sales 31 bales.

Net receipts 438 bales; gross receipts 438 bales; sales 51 bales; stock 99,337 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 21,300 bales; exports to Great Britain 23,509 bales; exports to France 7,310 bales; exports to the Continent 12,131 bales; stock 962,748 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 21,300 bales; exports to Great Britain 23,509 bales; exports to France 7,310 bales; exports to the Continent 12,121 bales.

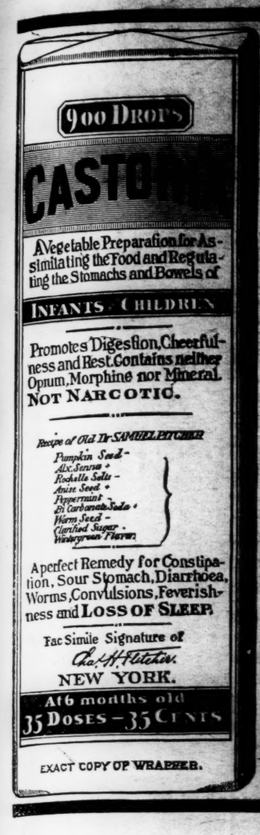
Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 6,811,061 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,760,680 bales; exports to France 603,459 bales; exports to the Continent 1,992,058 bales.

February 4.—Galveston, firm at 6c, net receipts 3,534 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 6c, net receipts 2,839 bales; Baltimore, steady at 6¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 6 5-16c, net receipts 1,231 bales; Wilmington, firm at 5¾c, net receipts 285 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6 5-16c, net receipts 206 bales; Savannah, quiet at 5 11-16c, net receipts 2,994 bales; New Orleans, steady at 5 3-16, net receipts 6,754 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5¾c, net receipts 2,161 bales; Memphis, quiet at 5 11-16c, net receipts 159 bales; Augusta, firm at 5¾c, net receipts 758 bales; Charleston, quiet at 5¾c, net receipts 769 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 4.—Flour dull and weaker; winter patents $3 85@4 10. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 81¾c; options had a strong opening through a demand from shorts, but quickly developed heaviness under renewed liquidation; the local crowd was bearish owing to easier cables, favorable crop news and the absence of outside support; closed weak at ⅛@¾c net decline; No. 2 red March closed 79¼c; May closed 76¾c; July closed 74½c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2, 43¾; options opened easy and broke under liberal long account selling, influenced partly by cold weather West and the heaviness in wheat, closed weak at ⅝@⅞c net lower; May closed 43¼c; July closed 42⅝c. Oats—Spot dull; No. 2, 34½c; options dull. Pork steady; mess $9 75@10 00; short clear $10 50@12 50; family $10 05@11 00. Lard easier; Western steam closed $5 80; February closed $5 82, nominal; refined lard quiet. Butter steady; Western creamery 14@19c; do. factory 12@15c; Elgins 19c; imitation creamery 13@16½c; State dairy 13@15c. Cheese steady; large white 10½c. Potatoes steady; New York $1 25@1 62½; Long Island $1 75@2 00; Jersey sweets $1 25@2 50. Petroleum dull; refined New York $7 35; Philadelphia and Baltimore $7 35; do in bulk $4 85. Rice steady; domestic fair to extra 4½@7c; Japan 5@5¼c. Cotton seed oil firm and held higher; prime crude 19½@20; butter grades 29@31c. Coffee—Spot Rio quiet; No. 7 invoice 6¾c; No. 7 jobbing 7¼c; mild quiet; Cordova 11½@14c. Sugar—Raw strong; fair refining 3⅞c; centrifugal 96 test 4¾c; molasses sugar 3½c; ref



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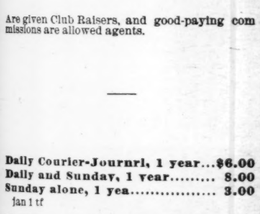

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MUSIC AND THE HAIR.

Peculiar Effect of Vibrations on the Head Covering.

In a recent scientific assemblage a discussion took place upon the influence of sleep in skin diseases. One of the gentlemen who took part stated in his criticism of the paper which had been read that one might as well talk of the influence of music upon the growth of the hair. It would seem that the suggestion of a possible connection thus thrown out in a jesting way has been taken seriously. At least a correspondent of Le Temps has made the discovery that music of certain kinds does in reality prevent the hair from falling, while that produced by certain instruments has the most disastrous effects in causing rapid development of baldness. He finds that while composers are as prone as others to lose their hair at an early age, those who play their compositions upon the piano preserve, if they do not acquire, a luxuriant growth of hair. On the other hand, wind instruments, and especially the cornet and trombone, are fatal to hirsute adornment. The violoncello and the harp keep the hair in pretty well, but the flute cannot be depended upon to preserve a strong growth after the fiftieth year of age.

A number of pianists, including Paderewski, are cited in confirmation of the pronounced influence of piano music. It has been admitted for some time that music has a certain therapeutic worth, and it will be recalled that Dr. Ferrand presented a report to the French Academy on the physiological influence of music, pointing out in what ways it could be employed with therapeutic aims. Subsequently Dr. Betzchinsky reported an instance of night terrors in a child of 8 years, who was cured by having played to it each night music of a calming nature written in a minor key. A test was made after a few nights by omitting the music, and that night alone the child had an attack. It has not as yet been determined just what key is most favorable to the prevention of an early bald state. Probably a reasonable way of settling the disputed point would be to make a few experiments on dogs, thus proving a tolerance for different strains and avoiding the horriplation to which some patients of refined tastes might be subjected. Wind instruments are always dangerous if the hair has not a good hold, while stiff haired people can stand anything. Possibly a good rule for any musician would be, as soon as he finds his hair falling, to cease playing for others.—Medical Record.

ITALY'S POWER IN AMERICA.

Natives of the Sunny Land Monopolizing Many Trades.

Having shaken the stove and kicked the sat from under Maloney's chair, Casey thus delivered himself:

"Sure, this country will have an Eyetalyun king yet. They're the risin ginera-tion here, and no mistake. I mind the time whin the Irish dug all the sewers and cellars, did all the laborin work. But they ain't in it any more.

"Eyetalyun hodcarriers has druv the Irish out. Beyant on the new row, all the bricklayers are Eyetalyuns. Hivin only knows how many Eyetalyun stonemasons are workin in this city today. If you want a tap put on your boot, it's an Eyetalyun shoemaker what does it. They're doin all the shavin and haircuttin. They kape all the fruit stores. Av course they shine all the shoes.

"I wint down to Liberty hall Monday night to the dance of the Kelly association. For tin years that gang had music from a Dutch band, but what should I see this time but an Eyetalyun crowd of fiddlers. An Eyetalyun book agent kem in here the ether day, selling the 'Life of Parnell.' We have an Eyetalyun organist at church, and a woman, with a name as long as your arm, sings the screechin parts that Mrs. Curley ust to yell so well.

"An Eyetalyun comes along this block onct a week with a pack full of suspinders, shoe laces and collar buttons. For years Mike Dugan, him as has a daughter married to Clancy, the harse policeman, med a livin around here mindin wash bilers and umbrellas. Sure, a big Eyetalyun has druv him into the home of the Little Sisters of the Poor.

"There's no use of talkin, us Americans will have nothin to say or do in this country before long. You all know Tony, the rag man. I'll bet you t'ink he's as poor as Maloney. Well, he kem in here Saturday night an offered me two t'ousand dollars for the place. He'll be runnin for alderman next fall, I dare say."—New York Mail and Express.

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SPORTS OF SAVAGES.

QUEER GAMES WITH WHICH THEY AMUSE THEMSELVES.

The "Coroboree," a Weird and Fantastic Entertainment Indulged In by the Australian Bushmen—Ram Bucking In Khiva.

It has been said that the natives of uncivilized or semicivilized countries had no sense of humor. A knowledge of their habits upsets this theory altogether. The Australian aborigines indulge in a form of entertainment known as the "coroboree," which is probably unequaled in the world for weird and fantastic effect. It is given on various occasions for public rejoicing, such as a victory over a hostile tribe, the killing of a large number of snakes, etc. It generally begins at dusk and does not end till dawn. This is the way it is done:

A large bonfire is lighted on an open space, around which the whole tribe collects—of course at a respectable distance. The dancers, who are always men, now retire to a neighboring bush to dress up, or rather to put on their war paint. This is done literally, chalk, charcoal and ocher being freely used for the purpose. Then they emerge from the bush and strike up an attitude in front of the fire, as a sort of tableau vivant, to the great astonishment of the crowd. Then they retire again for a few minutes and come out in a new rig out.

This is only a preliminary. In the actual performance the men emerge in twos and threes—dancing the while to the accompaniment of a couple of boomerangs rattled together by a player in front—and enter the ring in full view of the spectators. There they sing and dance, at first in a slow, melancholy, dreamy chant, then in a fierce, wild roar of triumph, to portray their various passions in love and war. Sometimes each gives his own version of affairs independently, and sometimes all dance together to illustrate some event of a national character.

When the interest of the spectators begins to flag, all the dancers vanish simultaneously into the bush for awhile. Suddenly one creeps out mysteriously and begins to mimic the actions, tone of voice, etc., of some public personage in the tribe who happens to be among the spectators. Then the others come out and follow suit, surrounding their unfortunate victim and irritating him by every means in their power, to the huge delight of the crowd, for this is a privileged occasion and in the absence of newspaper critics in the land a public opportunity for paying off old scores against their leading politicians.

The more the culprit objects and loses his temper the more they torment him and make him miserable—till suddenly they transfer their attention to some other person whom they also consider fair game. Thus do the savages of Australia, who are the savagest of all savages, enjoy themselves at the expense of their brethren.

Itinerant performers are common in the east. An Egyptian bear dancer goes about from house to house with a large and healthy looking bruin. Through the beast's nose is a ring to which is tied a rope, and he is compelled to go through a series of dances and awkward performances. His claws are clipped.

The "bunder wallah," or monkey dancer of India, is always a favorite with the public. His stock in trade consists of two monkeys (a male and a female), a he goat and a bundle containing colored rags, bells, heads and other odds and ends. The two monkeys are first made to dance, skip, vault, turn somersaults, etc.; then as a reward for their skill they are solemnly married to each other. The female is dressed up in gorgeous rags, with bells, beads and other ornaments, and the marriage ceremony performed over the pair by the trainer. The rite varies according to local custom, but ends in every case in a triumphal ride for the bridegroom on the goat, leaving the bride disconsolate on the ground. Sometimes the goat is made to give an independent exhibition, which generally ends in his having to stand on four pieces of wood, one on top of another, and each no more than two inches in diameter. This serves to bring down the house, and often the goat with it.

In India are the snake charmers and jugglers famous the world over. In Japan expert street tumblers are common.

In Khiva an exhilarating sport is the ram fight. The two rams are taken 20 or 30 feet apart and then let go. They seem to recognize in each other their natural antagonist. So with bent head they rush furiously on and meet in the middle with a terrific crash. One would imagine that any skull would be smashed by such a collision; not so, however, with these rams. They are merely dazed for a moment, and immediately separated, so to speak, by their respective bottle holders. After a little rubbing down they are started afresh, with the same result, and so on, the contest continuing till one or other skull is cracked and the unfortunate beast rolls over. In the middle of a sort of raised platform is the local magnate, who usually presides on these occasions.

In India circus performers stroll from house to house and exhibit their skill upon the slightest pretense. A long pole is placed on the ground and held in position by four guy ropes. It carries two horizontal bars near the top for the support of the performers. That is all, the whole structure requiring about five minutes to rig up. Then the show begins.

One of the performers steps forward, salaams to the spectators and starts tumbling about the ground with various contortions, chanting the while in a weird monotone to the accompaniment of a tamtam. Then he jumps up, climbs up the pole and goes through a few more tricks on the horizontal bar. In the meantime another player steps forward and begins a game of his own. Being generally disguised in a fantastic manner, with feathers, skins, etc., he causes much merriment by his ludicrous mimicry of birds and animals, and thereby starts a shower of coppers from the bystanders. Then he throws off his disguise, does a few more antics on the ground, and finally climbs up the pole to join his colleague. There the two go through a few evolutions, while perhaps a third performer begins on the ground.

In China a regular Punch and Judy show is a common street amusement. On high days and holidays the heathen Chinaman gives himself up entirely to enjoyment. All business is laid aside for the moment, and nothing short of a bombardment of their town by a foreign fleet would induce them to give up their fun for the day. Consequently thousands of pigtailed pleasure seekers, attired in gorgeous flowing robes, are to be seen on such occasions promenading the street and stopping now and again to enjoy the performances of these traveling showmen. The actors are wooden puppets, worked by invisible strings.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Lincoln and Jeff Davis.

Malcolm Townsend has pointed out coincidences of events in the lives of Lincoln and Jeff Davis. Both were born in Kentucky—Lincoln in 1809, Davis in 1808. Both removed from their native state in childhood, Davis going to the southwest, Lincoln to the northwest. In the Black Hawk war Davis was a second lieutenant of regulars, Lincoln a captain of volunteers. Both began their political careers at the same period, 1844, Davis being a presidential elector for Polk, Lincoln a presidential elector for Henry Clay. Both were elected to congress at about the same time, Davis in 1845, Lincoln in 1846. Lastly, in the same year and almost the same day, they were called upon to preside over the destinies of their respective governments, Davis as president of the Confederate states, Feb. 8, 1861, and Lincoln as president of the United States, March 4, 1861.—New York Press.

A Gifted Woman.

Fogg (looking up from book)—The heroine appears to be as versatile as one of those bottles from which a magician pours all kinds of liquors.

Fenderson—How so?

Fogg—Why, in one place it says she wept bitterly, in another that the salt tears coursed down her cheeks, and in the very next paragraph we are told that her tears broke out afresh. A gifted woman that!—Boston Transcript.

Art Arguments.

"What was the matter in the bric-a-brac department?"

"Two clerks disagreed about the pronunciation of Diana, and one of them hit the other over the head with a Venus."—Chicago Record.

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If there's a lady to be won,
Go to her and sue her;
Just be a man and woo her,
For thus is love begun.
—J. L. Heston in "The Quilting Bee."

REWARDS OF LITERATURE.

Scarcely Another Profession In Which There Are So Many Disappointed People.

In The Ladies' Home Journal Edward W. Bok editorially writes of the rewards of literature and its disappointments to those who are attracted to the profession by the luring and very often greatly exaggerated reports of big prices paid some famous author. Mr. Bok disposes of these will o' the wisp stories, and unqualifiedly asserts that "not one-tenth of the entire literary profession of this country and England makes sufficient money to live upon. Not ten out of every hundred authors receive enough for their work to support them. There is scarcely another profession in which there are so many disappointed and heartbroken people. The ranks are full of them. They strive hard. They work morning, noon and night, and they do tolerably good work. But the results are not worth the effort in nine cases out of ten.

Why is this? some one asks. There are two reasons for it. First, an author can produce each year just so much work which is good and that the public cares to read. That quantity is necessarily small. A man's capacity for really good literary work is wonderfully limited. He must therefore get well paid for everything he does or the sum total is insufficient for the work. The second reason lies in the contractedness of the market. We have magazines almost without number, and publishing houses in plenty.

But how much material can one author sell a year to all these outputting channels combined? Two novels at the utmost, a half dozen articles and as many poems. Let him give more than that, and no matter how good may be his work he is at once accused of writing too much—a fatal criticism for any writer. On the one hand therefore is a limited capacity and on the other a contracted market. And between these the author must live—or starve. Good literary work will always find its market. But it is not a profitable market to the many. It pays well, but not as thousands have an idea that it does. There is a living to be had out of literature by tireless work and good writing. A fair, comfortable living. But that is all."

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At the close of Business Dec. 1st, 1898. Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES	
Loans	$659,388 50	Capital	$125,000 00
Overdrafts secured by collateral	10,480 58	Surplus	70,000 00
Overdrafts unsecured	377 33	Undivided profits	12,564 01
U. S. Bonds (at par)	95,000 00	Circulation	40,350 00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000 00	Deposits, U. S. Treasurer	$ 50,000 00
Due from app'd reserve agts	$156,143 33	" from banks	190,307 20
Due from other Banks	165,220 57	" Individuals	695,583 35-935,760 55
Cash on hand	65,178 27-326,542 16		
Total	$1,162,988 57	Total	$1,162,988 57

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Dec. 1, '97.	Dec. 1, '98.
Total Deposits	$978,000	$935,760
Surplus and Net Profits	76,100	82,500

Dividends paid—3 per cent. per annum.
Last Instalment of Capital paid in October, 1892.

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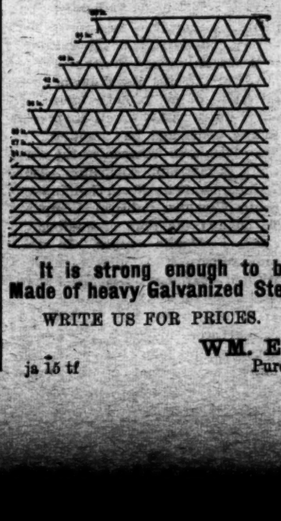

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Train 42—Leaves Portsmouth 6:30 A. M., Arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 3:30 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:35 P. M., Wadesboro 6:10 P. M., Monroe 9:13 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., and Atlanta 8:30 A. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 8:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 8:56A. M., Wadesboro 8:31 A.M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:33 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 3:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:30 P. M.

Train 36—Leaves Hamlet 8:30 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 10.05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:43 P. M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:53 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:53 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 3:30 P. M.

Train 408—Leaves Charlotte 9:00 A. M. Arrives Lincolnton 10:30 A. M., Shelby 11:27 A. M., Shelby 11.37 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:50 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:20 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:40 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:15 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 409—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M. Raleigh 3:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:20 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7.40 A. M.

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NORTH BOUND.	No. 2 DAILY.
Leave Wilmington	8 50 A. M.
Arrive Fayetteville	12 00 M.
Leave Fayetteville	12 20 P. M.
Leave Fayetteville Junction	12 28 "
Leave Sanford	1 50 "
Leave Climax	3 44 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 15 "
Leave Greensboro	4 25 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 13 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 44 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 13 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 25 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 DAILY.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 45 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 09 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 36 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 56 "
Leave Greensboro	12 15 P. M
Leave Climax	12 42 "
Leave Sanford	2 30 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 49 "
Arrive Fayetteville	3 59 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 02 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 05 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4 DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Maxton	9 03 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 00 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 53 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	4 53 "
Leave Red Springs	5 26 "
Arrive Maxton	5 59 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 30 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 55 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOMND.	No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Madison	12 30 P. M.
Leave Stokesdale	1 15 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 30 "
Leave Greensboro	3 00 "
Leave Climax	3 50 "
Arrive Ramseur	5 30 "

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Schedule in Effect Jan. 15, 1899.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.30 P. M., Wilson 1.10 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.59 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8.43 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.36 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M. Weldon 12.30 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M. Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.30 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.32 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.35 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.30 P. M., Denmark 6.13 A. M., Augusta 7.35 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.31 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.31 P. M., Warsaw 4.19 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12 09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 5.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., *Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.36 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.30 A. M., Atlanta 7.30 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.00 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.30 A. M., Sumter 8.15 P. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.06 P. M., Greenville 6.37 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.59 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.38 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 3.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M. 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 11.30 A. M

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 5.

IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Opponents of the Peace Treaty Refuse Consent to a Vote on the Interpretive Resolutions.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 4.—Another effort was made in executive session of the Senate to-day to secure unanimous consent to vote on the resolutions interpretive of the Peace Treaty, and it was refused by the opponents of the treaty. The request was preferred by Senator Sullivan, of Mississippi, who expressed a desire to have a vote on the resolution offered by himself. Senator Jones made the objection.

There was also another effort to secure consent to an earlier meeting Monday; but this also was refused.

Senator Lodge was in charge of the fortunes of the treaty to-day in the absence of Senator Davis. He suggested meeting on Monday at 11 o'clock, but consent was refused, as was also the consent to a recess until 12 o'clock Monday, or to an order dispensing with the routine business on that day. The result was an adjournment until 12 o'clock Monday without any conditions.

The fact developed during this fencing for time that several Senators wished still to be heard in explanation of their attitudes. Among those who have announced their intention to ask to be heard is Senator Allen, of Nebraska, who it was stated would denounce the opposition to the treaty in Democratic ranks as a conspiracy against Mr. Bryan.

For the rest, Senator Morgan occupied the attention of the Senate in a very forcible argument in support of the treaty. He declared his conviction that the treaty should be ratified without amendment or modifying declaration. He believed the American commissioners to the Paris conference had acted very wisely and in the best interests of the whole country, and he, for one, was willing to accept their work just as the had given it to us. He was also perfectly willing to trust the President, aided, as he would be, by Congress, to take care of the Philippine question in a way most satisfactory to our people and in the best interests of the Philippines. He warned the Democratic Senators against taking a position against the treaty, asserting that if they succeeded in defeating it they would wreck the Democratic party.

The friends of the treaty still find themselves short of the votes necessary to ratify the treaty, and some of them candidly confess that such is the case. They are, however, still hopeful that the shortage will be made good before Monday.

SEABOARD AIR LINE.

Rumored Purchase of the System by the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis Railroad.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., February 4.—Among the many rumors current in the South regarding the sale and consolidation of railroads is one to-day to the effect that the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis railroad has purchased the Seaboard Air Line and will reach Birmingham from Atlanta by using the East and West Railroad. This line runs from Cartersville, Ga., to Pell City, Ala., and would leave a gap between Atlanta and Cartersville. This point, however, is reached by the Western and Atlantic, with whom the Seaboard Air Line already has a working arrangement. The Georgia and Alabama, which is generally supposed to have been acquired recently by the Seaboard, is also mentioned in the deal. The purchase, which would give a direct line to the Atlantic ocean from the West, is a connection long desired by the "Memphis Route." The rumor does not receive much credence in Atlanta, nor is it believed that the conference at the Aragon yesterday between C.R. Capps, general freight agent of the Seaboard, and Major Pope, general freight and passenger agent of the Georgia and Alabama, had anything to do with it. However, President Washburn, of the "Memphis Route" was recently in conference at Montgomery with the officials of the Georgia and Alabama, and to this railroad men attach much significance.

NEW BATTLESHIP MAINE.

The Keel Will be Laid on the Anniversary of the Explosion in the Harbor at Havana.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, February 4.—The keel of the new battleship Maine, the contract for the construction of which was, a few months ago awarded to the Cramp Ship Building Company, will in all probability be laid on February 15th. This date will be the anniversary of the explosion in Havana harbor of the ship of that name.

The Messrs. Cramp are in receipt of many requests to 'remember the Maine' by laying the keel of her namesake on the anniversary of the Havana harbor tragedy. Every endeavor has therefore been put forward by the officials of the company in the preparation of charts, the mechanical drawings, etc., to gratify this almost universal desire to celebrate the anniversary of the Maine explosion by laying the keel of the new vessel on the anniversary date. These officials stated to-day that they now felt safe in announcing that work on the Maine will begin February 15th, the laying of the keel of the vessel being considered the first work of its construction. The Cramps furthermore announce that efforts will be pursued in every manner possible to have the new battleship ready to be launched on February 15th, 1900, the second anniversary of the Maine disaster.

Much suffering exists among the discharged men of the Spanish army who are still in Cuba. They cannot find work and have appealed for repatriation to General Castellanos, who replied that they had no right to passage, and they are now appealing to Lieutenant General Correa, the Spanish war minister, begging him to send them home before they die of hunger.

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WOLCOTT'S APPEAL FOR RATIFICATION.

Senator Chilton Made Constitutional Argument in Support of Vest's Resolution.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Military Academy Appropriation Bill. Griggs of Georgia on President's Suggestion That Government Care for Confederate Graves.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 4.—This was another day of expansion oratory in the Senate. In the open session the speakers were Senator Chilton, of Texas, and Senator Wolcott, of Colorado. Senator Chilton made a constitutional argument in support of the Vest resolution. Senator Wolcott made an eloquent—almost impassioned—appeal to the Senate for the ratification of the peace treaty. At the conclusion of his brief address he was accorded the compliment of hearty applause.

At the beginning of the day's session Senator Allen, of Nebraska, offered a resolution to the effect that it is the intention and purpose of the Senate in ratifying the Treaty of Paris to place the inhabitants of the Philippine islands and Porto Rico in exactly the same position as respects their relations to the United States, as are the inhabitants of Cuba.

Senator Allen gave notice that he would address the Senate upon the resolution on Monday.

Senator Chilton's Argument.

Senator Chilton then addressed the Senate. He asserted that he was not an anti-annexationist or an anti-expansionist. Within proper limits he regarded it as the duty of this country to widen its bounds. He thought the acquisition of Porto Rico and the island of Guam as well enough; but in the acquisition of the Philippines a grave public policy was involved. He believed such acquisition involved serious perils, and that danger to our government and institutions would constantly menace us. He did not regard the annexation of the Philippines as at a'l similar to that of Louisana, California, and other territory now a part of the United States. His belief was that if we took the Philippines and they became a part of this country our people would never cease to regret it.

Senator Chilton said if our operations were confined to Porto Rico and Cuba, we would need no increase in the standing army, but if the Philippines were taken we should require an army of 200,000 men to subjugate the scattered and turbulent elements in the islands, and pensions would be piled on pensions. He declared his belief that the Supreme Court would hold that Congress had no power to prevent the Filipinos from passing from one part of the country to another. But even if the inhabitants were shut out their products would not be and could not be.

Senator Foraker, Ohio, interrupting Senator Chilton, called his attention to authorities for the statement that it would be competent for any State of the union to protect itself in any way it saw fit by levying import duties on importations from the Philippines. This point was sharply controverted by Senator Chilton, he declaring it was certainly not true. He continued, saying that the laboring people of the country had caught the alarm and read a letter which he had received from the National Cigar-makers' Union, urging Congress not to annex the Philippines, on the ground that it would demoralize the labor market of this country.

Senator Chilton said he would do with the Philippines as the United States had done with the Republic of Liberia, on the coast of Africa. Liberia took its independent position as a sort of off-shoot from the United States and had been given moral protection by the United States. With such an arrangement, no European government would dare to interfere with the independent government of the Philippines. In conclusion, Senator Chilton urged an amendment to the treaty declaring in effect that we did not propose to maintain permanent possession of the Philippines. That would assuredly satisfy the treaty.

Wolcott Urges Ratification.

At the conclusion of Senator Chilton's speech Senator Wolcott was recognized. He attempted no discussion of the pending resolutions, but urged the ratification of the treaty on purely moral and patriotic grounds.

If the commissioners appointed by the President had presented to the Senate a treaty yielding the Philippine islands he would have felt it his duty to ratify their action; if they had in the treaty held only a coaling station he would have felt bound equally to support their action.

"In their wisdom," said he, "they have brought to us a treaty providing for the taking of the entire Philippine group, and I see before me my duty to assist in the ratification of that action. The commissioners appointed by the President were men eminent in character and ability. They have brought back a treaty with Spain by which we may deal with the Filipinos as Congress may hereafter wisely deal. Yet we stand here, day after day, wrangling over resolutions of no force and effect and which serve only to embarrass our own people in the Philippines and afford comfort to our opponents on the islands. There is not one of these questions raised which may not properly be dealt with after the treaty is ratified.

"However much we may differ among ourselves, upon questions of international policy, we ought to stand as one before a foreign foe. I, for one, recognize a great difference between a treaty establishing commercial relations with another nation and a treaty bringing to a conclusion a successful war. It is important that we should present an unbroken front in meeting a question of this kind. We owe a debt to our brethren across the sea. We had their unqualified moral support and the influence of their trained diplomats throughout the war. Had it not been for England we should not have emerged from the late war with colors flying so high. To-day we have among the nations of Europe only one friend—Great Britain—the other nations stand with rapacious hate hoping that we may encounter some repulse.

A Political Issue.

Adverting to the attitude of the opponents of the treaty in endeavoring to inject as he said, politics into the consideration of the pending question and to force out of it an issue for the next presidental campaign, Senator Wolcott said: "But it is deplorable that in formulating such an issue and in pursuit of such a policy these leaders should find it necessary to seek to dishonor this government and the administration which has guided us so wisely through the troubled sea of international complications and brought us to the threshold of an honorable peace, that they should dishonor us in the face of the nations of the world and should seek to bring about some fancied political advantage by an attempt to defeat the ratification of the treaty which, if unratified, must bring back a condition of war as it existed before the report of the commissioners; passive as it may be, but full of uncertainty and full of disaster to the interests and the welfare of our country.

"I do not believe such tactics can win. There are men enough on both sides of this chamber who will stand by the government, not because it is a Republican government, but because it is an American government. The results of the war have left us charged with a duty to eleven millions of people. We found them under the dominion of Spain. Nobody wants to turn them back to that nation.

"If we should abandon those islands as a derelict, it is certain that they would become a prey to Europe. For one, I am certain that the ratification of the treaty would ameliorate the conditions there and advance the interests of the Filipinos. We shall not put our hands on those people except to bless them and our efforts will be to lift them up to the standards of civilization and Christianity."

"Our relations with the inhabitants of those islands," continued Senator Wolcott, "are certain to be fair, honest and just. We may make mistakes. We have made mistakes in the past. But with our protecting hand over them, those people will find themselves more secure in their lives, property and happiness than they have ever before been."

First Experiment of its Kind.

In answer to the charge that the acquisition of the islands would be contrary to the spirit of our republic, he said this government was the first experiment of its kind ever made.

"Every year," he continued, "has brought us additional burdens and with them has come added greatness. And who shall say that, in the development of this republic, with its Anglo-Saxon strength and energy, it will not increase until we have planted our institutions and principles in that far off archipelago? Time alone can make clear our duty to the people of the Philippine islands. To-day we face the proposition of emasculating or destroying the peace treaty. For me there is but one path marked out; that is the path of duty, the path of honor."

At 2:15 P. M., on motion of Senator Lodge, the Senate went into executive session, and at 5:25 P. M. adjourned.

House of Representatives.

WASHINGTON, February 4.—The House to-day passed the Military Academy appropriation bill carrying about $600,000. It served as a test for a speech by Mr. Griggs, of Georgia, on the President's suggestion that the government care for the graves of the Confederate dead. He referred to the devotion of the Southern men to the country, from the days of Appomatox to those of Santiago. Let there by an end, therefore, he urged, to the constant reiteration of reconciliation between the sections. That reconciliation had long ago been accomplished and with the new generation of the South, the younger men, there was no need of reconciliation, as there had been no seperation.

"We accept the words of the President in good faith," said Mr. Griggs, "but we insist that this shall be the last reconciliation of the sections. Let this be the final ratification of the treaty of peace between the North and South."

Mr. Griggs' speech was warmly applauded and he received many congratulations.

After 3 o'clock the House devoted its attention to eulogistic speeches on Thomas Benton and Frank P. Blair, whose statues have been presented by Missouri for erection in statuary hall. The resolution accepting the statues was agreed to, and at 4.45 P. M. the House adjourned.

MRS. BOTKIN SENTENCED.

To Life Imprisonment in the California Penitentiary for the Murder of Mrs Dunning, of Dover, Del.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., Feb. 4.—Mrs. Cordelia Botkin was to-day sentenced to serve the term of her natural life in the San Quentin penitentiary for the murder of Mrs. Jno. P. Dunning, of Dover, Del., whom she killed by means of a box of poisoned candy, which was sent through the mails, as a gift from a friend and unsuspectingly eaten by Mrs. Dunning and some of her friends. Her sister, Mrs. Joshua P. Deane, also died from the effects of the arsenic, with which the candies were loaded.

Judge Cook, who pronounced the sentence, refused to grant the appeal for a new trial, made by Mrs. Botkin's attorneys, who held that this State had no jurisdiction in the matter. In a review of the case Judge Cook showed that this State did have jurisdiction in the matter.

Mrs. Botkin, when asked if she wished to say anything in her own defence, stated that she was innocent of the horrible crime. Her attorneys gave notice that they would apply for a writ of probable cause.

AGUINALDO'S CLAIMS.

Asserts His Jurisdiction Over All the Islands of the Philippine Group.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 4.—Aguinaldo has broadened his claims, or at least his agent here (Agoncillo) has done so for him. In another one of the series of the communications which he has addressed to the State Department, Aguinaldo asserts his jurisdiction to all of the Philippine group. This is a notable extension, as heretofore there was nothing to show that he spoke for anything more than the Tagals, and even though there may have been an intimation that the Visayas, or central group, was part of the Philippine confederation, this is certainly the first time that any suggestion has been made touching the Sulu archipelago.

JEALOUSY THE CAUSE.

Double Murder and Suicide by Frank Blair, Near Lima, Ohio.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LIMA, O., February 4.—Frank Blair shot and instantly killed Edward Brovard and Mary Anderson at Westminster, seven milest east of here, today, and then committed suicide. Brovard and Miss Anderson were standing in a doorway talking when Blair slipped up behind them and began shooting. Brovard was killed by the first shot. Miss Anderson was shot twice, the second ball penetrating her head. Blair sat down and reloaded his pistol and then shot a load through his head, dying instantly. Jealousy was the cause, Blair and Miss Anderson having been engaged previous to Brovard's appearance on the scene.

Attorney General Griggs upholds the right of a military commander to cut a cable within the territorial waters of an enemy without making his country liable in damages. The question arose on the cutting by Admiral Dewey at Manila of the cable of the British Company, who filed a claim with the State department for $36,000 damages.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Question As to Who Will be President of the Atlantic & North Carolina Railroad.

NORWOOD'S IMPEACHMENT.

Bill to Amend Charter of the City of Wilmington Introduced in House—Scotland County Bill—Amendments to Asylum Bill Endorsed.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., February 4.—The question as to who will be president of the Atlantic and North Carolina Rail Road is no nearer an answer now than a week ago. Eight of the members of the Board of Internal Improvements have been selected—to be exact, six have been nominated and two practically agreed upon. Whether these men are for Charles Drewry of Goldsboro, or for Senator James A. Bryan of Newbern, nobody appears to know.

Names of members to be of the Board of Internal Improvements, so far as known are: First District, E. F. Lamb, of Pasquotank, nominated; Second district, J. W. Granger, of Kinston, nominated; Third district, W. J. Adams, of Moore, nominated; Fourth district, Armistead Jones, of Wake, agreed on; Fifth district, C. M. Parker, of Orange, nominated; Sixth district, E. K. Proctor, of Robeson, agreed on; Seventh district, to be nominated; Eighth district, Clement Manly, of Forsyth, nominated; Ninth district, W. T. Lee, of Haywood, nominated. Of these, it stated that three are favorable to Mr. Drewry, while two are favorable to Senator Bryan. This leaves three whose leaning is unknown, beside the member from the Seventh district yet to be chosen.

Judge Norwood's Case.

The House Judiciary Committee this afternoon adopted the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That W. L. Norwood, Judge of the Twelfth Judicial district, is liable to impeachment if he has committed any act that may justify it."

This resolution was adopted by a vote of 12 to 6, after three days' discussion of the question. Those who voted against it were Messrs. Justice, Leatherwood, Lee, Winston, Ray and Stubbs. Those who voted for it were Messrs. Patterson, Allen, Gattis, Moore, Robinson, Stevens, Clarkson, Carr, Gilliam, Rountree, Currie and Foushee.

The resolution simply means that the committee has found that Judge Norwood, who still pretends to be judge, despite his resignation through V. S. Lusk, is impeachable. Whether or not he will be impeached is still to be determined by the evidence.

Immediately upon the adoption of the resolution Judge Allen moved that a sub-committee of three be appointed to investigate, and report back to the full committee Monday, as to what evidence there is against Judge Norwood, and what method of procedure should be adopted for impeachment. This sub-committee consists of Judge Allen, Mr. Winston and Mr. Foushee. This done, the Judiciary Committee made a favorable report on Mr. Davis' bill to pay Judge Norwood's salary for the months of June, July and August ($588), which was paid to Judge Carter before the courts' decision in Norwood's favor.

Bills Introduced.

Among the bills introduced were the following: To amend the charter of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company; to regulate trials of civil actions before justices of the peace; to amend the charter at Wilmington; to charter the town of Kinston; to allow Fayetteville to operate an electric light and power company; to allow Raleigh to issue $100,000 improvement bonds; to amend and revise the charter of Durham: to amend Lection 192 of the Code, so as to require residence of a domestic corporation, except railway and telephone companies, to be in the county wherein the corporation has its principal office; to give Raleigh four cotton weighers; to make fees for lien bonds and chattle mortgages combind ten cents for probating and 50 cents for registration, in the counties of Wayne, Wake, Wilson, Johnston, Duplin and Anson.

Important Measures.

Mr. Winston introduced an important measure looking to the formation of a company to develop and utilize the water power on Roanoke river, especially in the counties of Warren, Northampton and Halifax. The power is to be used for manufacturing purposes, and operation of mills and factories, and for generating, using and applying electricity. It is proposed to sell and lease to individuals and corporations electricity, motor and light power.

The bill reducing fees of all county officers, introduced Friday by Mr. Winston, was made the special order for Monday. At the same time Mr. McNeill's (of Brunswick) bill, reducing all fees one-half, will be considered.

Majority and minority reports were made on the Scotland county bill, and a resolution was introduced by Mr. McLean, of Richmond, to make the bill the special order for Tuesday, at the morning hour, giving each side one and a half hours for debate. The resolution, however, was not reached during consideration of the calendar, so the special order was not set.

Among the bills passed during consideration of the calendar were: To allow Jones county to sell its present county home and buy another. To give telephone companies the same rights as telegraph companies enjoy. To incorporate the North Carolina and South Carolina Railroad Company. To change the time of holding the courts in Duplin county. To allow funds to be paid to indigent children without guardians by clerks of court, to the amount of $20.

In accordance with a resolution passed several days ago, the Speaker appointed the following special Committee on Justices of the Peace: Messrs. Noble of Jones, Allen of Nash, Allen of Columbus, Bryan of Granville, Crumpler of Sampson, Yarborough of Caswell.

Carraway of Lenoir was added to the Committee on Education, and Fourshee of Durham to the Committee on Roads.

In the Senate.

The following bills were introduced in the Senate:

By McIntyre, to incorporate the Fire Insurance Company of Robeson County; to incorporate the Granville Railroad Company.

By Brown, to change the Chadbourn township law.

By Williams (by request), to prevent live stock from running at large in Cumberland county; to increase the permanent school fund of the State; also, an act for the better government of the State library. This bill amends the Code by allowing the General Assembly to elect the State librarian, and provides for a board of trustees of five residents of the city of Raleigh, who are to be nominated and elected by the Legislature. It fixes the hours of keeping the library open and repeals the Fusion tax law of 1895, giving the Legislature power to elect the librarian. This bill is a substitute for several bills heretofore introduced affecting the library. Also to amend the charter of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company, and to enable this road to co-operate with other roads.

Bills passed as follows: To authorize the citizens of Fayetteville to receive 25 per cent. of the taxes for the year 1898, in full payment; to provide for the re-funding of the indebtedness of Union county and for payment of the same; to repeal Chapter 510, creating a State Board of Equalization; to amend Chapter 49 of the Code, by giving telephone and telegraph companies greater rights in condemnation for the right of way; to change the charter of Chadbourn in Columbus county.

The Asylum Bill.

At 12 o'clock the Asylum bill was taken up. Amendments of the sub-committee composed of Daniels, Hicks, Speight and Travis, were unanimously endorsed. They provide that the dangerously insane shall be cared for in wards assigned for that purpose, and known as a hospital for the dangerous and criminal insane, and the board of directors of the State hospital at Raleigh shall have full control and management of their wards, which shall, by partitions and walls, be separated from the penitentiary, and the hospital shall not be considered a part of the penitentiary. The board of directors of the penitentiary, however, shall furnish all labor free of charge, and all material at cost necessary for building these walls and partitions, and for placing the wards and apartments in such condition as the board of directors of the State hospital may require. The sexes and races shall be kept in separate wards and apartments and under care of physicians selected by the board. The inebriates, to be confined in any hospital, must be such as are described in Section 1671 of the Code and acts amendatory thereof.

The House Committee on Education to-day decided to report a bill for the establishment of the Vance textile school as a department of the A. and M. College. The bill calls for an appropriation of $10,000 for the building. Mill men agree to furnish the machinery.

WARM WIRELETS.

Wolcott knocked out Australian Jimmy Ryan in the fourth round, last night, at Cincinnati.

The dead body of James H. Pierce, captain of police from Terre Haute, Ind., was found in his room at the Park hotel, Pensacola, Fla., he having shot himself through the head with a pistol.

Lieutenant Southerland, in charge of naval militia affairs at the Navy Department, left Washington last night for Florida to make an inspection of the State naval militia at Port Tampa.

Friday night was the coldest for eight years in central and Northern Nebraska, the mercury registering thirty-two below zero at Valentine, twenty-two below at Beaver City and ten below at North Platt.

T. F. Young and H. Hill, of New York amatuer photographers, were fined $50 each in the Savannah city court for taking nude pictures of little negro children. They paid the children a nickle apiece to pose for them.

The weekly bank statement shows the following changes: Surplus reserve, decreased $3,722,900; legal tenders, decreased 906,000; deposits, increased $18,385,000; circulation, decreased $98,408. The banks now hold $38,452,675 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

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Between the American Forces and the Filipinos—No Confirmation of the News at Washington.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, February 5.—No confirmation can be had here of certain published dispatches from Manila, reporting that a conflict had occurred there between the American forces and the Filipinos. At an early hour this morning it was given out in official quarters that no advices had been received from General Otis, or any of the American officials at Manila. The officers at the White House and those at the War Department, through which any communications from General Otis would be received, were closed at the usual hour.

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